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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF LOCALLY REINFORCED SHEET-METAL MOULDINGS AND PRODUCTS MADE THEREBY

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(hereinafter ASSIGNEE) all right, title and interest for the United States, its territories and possessions in and to his invention relating to:

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as set forth in his United States Patent Application (check one):

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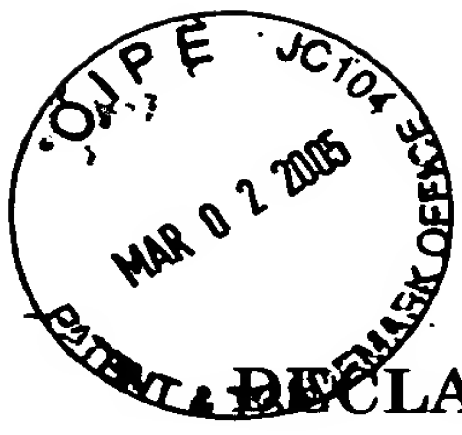
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 - (c) A copy of the Claim for Priority Under 35 U.S.C. 119 which included the original certified copy (not enclosed);
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12. A copy of the Status Request filed May 5, 2004;
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14. A copy of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 21, 2004, including Form PTO-1449, European Search Report dated November 3, 2004, and two cited references; and
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Serial No.: 09/972,195
Reply to Notice dated
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If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #095309.50476).

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